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## A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

### STEEL FROM UTAH IRON ORE.

The following was sent to us by F. U. Nelson of Pueblo, Colorado, and we gladly give it publication as it contains much of interest concerning the new era of development of Western industries which will be interesting reading to a large majority of our readers.

The article, which was taken from the Mining and Scientific Press, is as follows:

If negotiations now in progress in San Francisco are successful a new era in the development of Western industries is close at hand. Utah and California are particularly concerned; the plan is to form a \$20,000,000 corporation in which will be merged a number of companies that control coal mines and iron-ore deposits in Utah, and two others that own and operate steel plants in both northern and southern California. It is proposed to erect blast furnaces at Salt Lake City and to ship the pig-iron produced to California plants, where it will be converted into steel and rolled into shapes. More explicitly, the enterprise includes the following projects: (1) the increased development of the mines of the Utah Coke & Coal Company in Carbon county, Utah; (2) the erection of a large by-product coke-plant to produce the fuel for smelting iron ore; (3) the extension of the Sunnyside branch of the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad to new coal beds that lie about four miles from the present terminal; (4) the opening and exploitation of rich iron-ore deposits in the Iron Springs district of Iron county, Utah; (5) the building of a 25-mile branch railroad to connect the iron mines with the main line of the Los Angeles & Salt Lake railroad at Land; (6) the acquisition and enlargement of extensive quarries of limestone near Salt Lake; (7) the construction, at the start, of a 500-ton blast-furnace near Utah lake, 25 miles south of Salt Lake City; (8) the expansion of the existing steel plants of the Columbia Iron & Steel Company situated at Pittsburg, California, and at Portland, Oregon, and that of the Southern California Steel Company near Los Angeles. According to Mr. L. F. Rains, who represents the Utah interests in the negotiations, the States on the Pacific coast spend \$150,000,000 annually for iron and steel products that are brought, mostly by rail, from the steel makers and sundry manufacturers in the Eastern States. The steel plants on the Coast hitherto have confined their operations for the most part to the re-melting of scrap-iron for making new steel, and the re-rolling of old steel into smaller shapes; necessarily the output has been limited, and most of the finished products used on the Coast have come from the East. Utah is endowed by nature with immense deposits of all the raw materials required for the production of iron. In the property of the Utah Coke & Coal Company alone there is estimated to be available 75,000,000 tons of excellent coking-coal; it will produce a coke that meets both the principal requirements for blast-furnace operation, namely, structural strength to resist crushing by the charge, and low ash-content. The extent and richness of the iron-ore deposits were proved long ago, but heretofore conditions have not warranted the construction of a railroad and the opening of mines. An assured market for a reasonably large production of pig-iron is all that is required to justify the investment of the capital necessary to bring together the coke produced from Utah coal and the iron ore from Utah mines. An assured supply of pig-iron and an adequate market for steel products is all that is necessary to justify the owners of the steel plants on the Pacific Coast in enlarging their plants and commencing to make steel in earnest. The advantages that may be derived from the proposed consolidation are obvious. In the final analysis the success of the entire project depends upon whether or not steel can be delivered to the consumer in the West at a price that will permit successful competition with steel from Eastern plants. It will be necessary to convince the capitalists who are considering the financing of the undertaking that this

### PARK ASSOCIATION IN UTAH PROPOSED.

(Deseret News.)

State and local organizations and citizens must unite in placing suitable accommodations in the region of Utah's scenic wonderland and with these accommodations installed developments will be pushed rapidly by the federal government and the railroads. This appeared to be the consensus of opinions expressed today at the conference of officials called by Director Stephen T. Mather of the national park service for deciding on some definite course of action to pursue in exploiting the scenic attractions of the state. Mr. Mather proposed that a state national park association be formally launched.

The railroads assumed the premise that they have thus far given much advertising to Zion National Park, Bryce's canyon, Cedar Breaks and the North rim of the Grand canyon, but they proffered to continue to extend this aid in every way possible. However, it was declared that until the state and its people see fit to establish accommodations near the attractions and suitable roads the railroads can ill afford to over-advertise Utah. Speakers at the convention which opened in the state capitol this morning with about 100 officials representing the national park service, the state, the railroads and civic bodies were of the opinion that good hotels are necessary to bring the tourists into the state.

A committee was appointed to formulate plans for a local organization to boost for accommodations composed of Lafayette Hammett, chairman, Geo. A. Smith, Joseph Snow, D. S. Spencer, C. S. Tebbe, H. W. Lunt, Wesley King, W. W. Seegmiller and T. A. Callister.

#### DAUGHTER SOUGHT BY MOTHER

Little Helen Maxwell, six year old daughter of Fred Maxwell, who lost his life in the World War, is being sought by her mother, Mrs. Maxwell, better known as Madame Olga, a Brazilian fortune teller. During a period of illness in Salt Lake City, Utah, last June, Mrs. Maxwell sent her little daughter with her brother, George Stero, and his wife who were camping along the way to California. Since then Mrs. Maxwell has not been able to locate either her child or her brother, and she called upon the Red Cross for assistance.

Anyone knowing of a gypsy camp would do a favor to the mother by carrying a message of inquiry to it. Information concerning the missing child may be sent to Pacific Division Headquarters of the American Red Cross, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif., and it will be forwarded to the mother.

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can be done, or they will not be willing to invest their money. An important factor in determining the unit cost of production is the scale of operations; obviously, the Western steel maker will be at a disadvantage on this score. The fact should be emphasized, however, that the availability of low-priced steel from Western mills will result inevitably in the establishment in the West, instead of in the East, of plants for the manufacturing of building materials, machinery, and other equipment for which raw steel is an important requisite. This will increase the demand for steel, it will permit the expansion of the scale of operations of the steel-maker, and will reduce his cost of production; in other words the disadvantage arising from the restricted production at the outset will be decreased gradually, when once the Westerner's operations gain momentum. It is possible that some of the details as outlined above will be changed; it may even be that obstacles will arise to prevent a merger under any conditions of the interests mentioned; however, the development of Western resources of iron and coal and the establishment of a steel industry on the Coast are assured, even though they be postponed temporarily. It is to be hoped that the present negotiations will prove successful. They will mean increased employment, expanded business, and greater prosperity.

### May the Season's Joy be Yours!

The Iron County Record extends to all its subscribers, to its friends, to everyone who has the pleasure of living during the joyous holiday season, the best wishes and heartiest regards of an institution that labors three hundred and sixty-five days a year for the welfare of the community.

Our Job Department, too, realizing its gratitude to the people who have made possible by their patronage its growth into an institution of excellence extends the season's greetings.

#### COMMERCIAL CLUB BALL

The Commercial Club Ball, to be given Tuesday, December 27th, promises to be one of the most enjoyable events of the holiday season. It is the intention of the committee to provide a variety of entertaining features in addition to the regular program of dancing. Tickets are on sale at the various business houses. Purchase of one of these tickets entitles the purchaser to participate in the drawing for a valuable prize, the nature of which will be announced later. The proceeds from the dance will be used in furthering the interests of the club and of the community.

#### MARRIED.

The marriage of Miss Mary P. Knell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Knell of Cedar City, and Heber Sevy of this city, took place Wednesday in the Salt Lake temple. The ceremony was performed by Apostle Stephen L. Richards. A wedding dinner was served at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Sevy, on Douglas avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Sevy will make their home in Cedar City. —Salt Lake Tribune.

Mr. and Mrs. Sevy are both well known in Cedar and the Record joins with friends in extending congratulations and best wishes to the couple.

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#### SEARCHING FOR RICHARD DEAN STANTON

The American Red Cross is searching for Richard Dean Stanton last seen at the Presidio San Francisco, in 1917. His sister, Mrs. J. H. Massi, formerly of 324 Missouri Street, San Francisco, now of 929 N. Street, Fresno, has brought her request to the Red Cross in hope that someone may be able to locate him. She believes he was discharged from the Army at Camp Merritt, New Jersey.

Stanton is 25 years old and when last seen weighed about 160 pounds. He has light brown hair, gray eyes and fair complexion. He is 5 feet, 10 inches in height. He was born in Texas and was drafted in the Army from that state.

Any news of him may be sent to his sister or to the Pacific Division office of the American Red Cross, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco.

#### APPRECIATED.

The manager of the Record received this week a beautiful poem, composed by Dr. Geo. W. Middleton of Salt Lake City, who was at one time a resident of this city.

The poem is entitled "Autumn Leaves," and is printed in a very artistic folder form, with a cover of beautiful design, showing an Autumn scene.

We have read many articles from the pen of Dr. Middleton, but none has given us so much pleasure as the poem just received.

#### GREETINGS.

##### TO THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS AND FRIENDS, PAROWAN STAKE OF ZION:

As another Christmastide approaches we extend greetings to you who share with us a living faith in Jesus our Redeemer. His name we honor and revere as the source of all our blessings and the center of all our hopes.

Nineteen hundred and twenty-one years before His birth upon the earth, a promise was given to Abraham by God the Father that in him and his seed should all the nations of the earth be blessed. In the midst of an idolatrous world, the household of Abraham alone had retained a correct conception of a True and Living God. That this true conception of the Creator might be preserved and perpetuated upon the earth, God drew Abraham and his posterity apart and made of them a chosen people, and charged them not to mix or intermingle with unbelievers. Their subsequent history reveals the drastic schooling through which they were taken. As a race they were purged by their experiences of every vestige of idolatry, and so thoroughly chastened that faith in the Living God became crystallized and fixed as a racial characteristic.

Then came the dispersal which literally sprinkled the nations with "that blood that believes;" and, finally, the crowning glory of Israel, Christ the Redeemer and hope of all mankind.

As Abraham was nineteen hundred and twenty-one years before Christ, so we today are standing nineteen hundred and twenty-one years after Him.

In the light of another gospel dispensation—the last and final one in which all things are to be gathered together in Christ—we may read something of the significance of the advent of our Savior upon the earth and of the great promises made to His progenitors, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Be reassured at this Christmas time that your faith in Christ is not in vain. Be not moved from it by the sophistries of godless men. He was indeed the Son of God and the Author of eternal salvation. In His tragic death He took upon Himself the burdens of mankind, and in dying broke the bands of death and became the Redeemer of fallen man.

The spirit of Christ's teachings are permeating the earth and when they are received they warm the souls of men like the sunshine. Men and nations lay aside their hatreds and their vain and selfish ambitions and the Golden Rule of Christ becomes the basis of enduring good-will which alone can bring to pass a lasting Peace on Earth.

Yours Sincerely,

PAROWAN STAKE PRESIDENCY,  
Henry W. Lunt,  
Myron D. Higbee,  
Wm. R. Palmer.

### INAUGURATE ROAD MAINTENANCE PLAN.

(Parowan Times.)

At the regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners Monday last, at which all members of the Commission, as well as the County Attorney and his deputy, the Assessor, Sheriff and Road Supervisor, and Mr. Stewart, resident engineer for the State Road Commission were present, the matter of properly maintaining state roads in this county was discussed at length, and the plan suggested by the Road Commission as required by the Federal Government for maintenance of projects in which they are concerned was outlined by Mr. Stewart.

Briefly stated, it is simply this: the roads to be maintained will be divided into stretches of 12 to 15 miles and a patrolman appointed and placed on a yearly salary for each of those stretches, whose duty will be to keep his particular section of road in repair. When the road needs dragging, he must do it, and in the meantime he is occupied in filling ruts, raking rocks off, making proper drains, etc. If an emergency arises and he requires additional help, then it is furnished, otherwise he is responsible for the condition of his particular section of road.

After carefully considering the proposition the Board decided on the patrol system for maintaining the Beaver to Washington county line, and the Cedar-Lund roads, probably placing three patrolmen on each road. The county will have approximately \$10,000 a year for the maintenance of the two roads, and it is planned to divide that between them at about \$6,000 and \$4,000 respectively.

#### AN INDUSTRIAL CENTER.

Los Angeles is a shining example of the fact that industrial development and community development go hand in hand.

For years Los Angeles was known as a "millionaires' playground."

Slowly but surely the value of industries was recognized by that city, for some years past its Chamber of Commerce has been backing every movement that looked to the future industrial growth of Los Angeles and the surrounding country.

Industrial development has been its slogan and from a show place and recreation point for the seasonal tourist, Los Angeles has emerged as one of the great manufacturing centers of this nation. It has reached a point where its immense industries draw other industries.

As a city it has maintained satisfactory working conditions for the employe and the investor, and today Los Angeles is probably the finest example of the result of concerted growth, that can be found in this nation.

This is not an advertisement for Los Angeles, but a tip to other western cities to go out and do likewise with the opportunities now afforded for the industrial growth in the western states.

#### UNUSUAL STORM.

have been visited by one of the most unusual rain storms that has been known in this section of Utah for at least 30 years past, and which finally culminated in a regular snow blizzard last night.

Today the weather has the appearance of genuine winter with the ground covered with a nice mantle of snow.

Word comes from Washington county that it was also visited with a deluge of rain and some snow the past few days, which has done much damage to roads, making travel almost impossible.

#### MARRIED.

Last week in the Salt Lake temple Mont Hunter and Miss Salome Smith of this city were married.

The young couple are well and favorably known and have the well wishes of a host of friends for success and happiness during their married life.

The Record extends hearty congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mont Hunter.

### WOOL GRADING DEMONSTRATION.

If present plans materialize, a wool grading demonstration conducted by a recognized expert, will be one of the features of the annual Farmers' Roundup to be held during the week of January 23 to 28 at the Branch Agricultural College. The program committee, it is reported, is negotiating with the Extension Division at Logan with a view to securing a federal wool expert to demonstrate the practical methods of handling sheep and wool in order to secure every advantage of market grades. This is a matter of direct concern to a great many stockmen of this region, and the demonstration, if finally secured, will doubtless be witnessed by as many as can possibly get here for the occasion.

Dairying, according to the committee, will also receive special attention during the Roundup; and arrangements are being made to have on the program authorities on dairy farming, dairy cattle, the marketing of milk and the manufacture of dairy products. No subject, it seems, is of greater interest to the farmers of southwestern Utah, especially to those in this immediate vicinity, and it is expected that every part of the program dealing with dairying will be largely attended.

There will also be a poultry day, when chicken farming will be discussed from the most practical angles. So far as possible, it is reported, the speakers and demonstrators will be chosen from among the most successful poultrymen of this part of Utah, although an expert probably will be present to lead in the culling demonstrations and discuss the most suitable type of poultry for the conditions obtaining in this region.

Other features of the program include sheep breeding sheep buildings, range management, rural organization and a number of other topics of importance in connection with the general agricultural situation in Iron and neighboring counties.

The program for the Housekeepers' Conference, to be held during the same week, promises to be the best ever carried out at the B. A. C. Mrs. Clayton, head of the Home Economics Department, is communicating with Mrs. Maycock, Miss Daney and others of the proficient Extension staff of the Utah Agricultural College, and together, it is said, they are working out a program of unusual interest, although no definite announcements are being made at this time.

#### WE APPRECIATE.

In behalf of the inmates of the Pinday home we wish to offer no knowledge and gratitude for the community sympathy and service offered us ever since the evening of the 9th when the shocking message came from Hurricane calling for help. Mr. Donald Pinday being so critically ill his life was despaired of. Men, women and children have manifested such interest in an effort to mitigate the severity of whatever the result might be, even offering to attend to the household affairs and make preparation for Christmas that the holiday season might not be saddened by our little girls. Words are inadequate to express our thankfulness for the kindness shown us on every hand, the imprints thereof will be engraved in our memories throughout our lives. We feel that we know the people of Cedar better than ever before and are honored to be counted with them.

May the angel of joy and peace hover over every home, breathing the spirit of good will and love for our fellow men, not only through the Christmastide but through all the coming year.

MRS. E. CRANE WATSON.

The holiday vacation for the students and faculty of the B. A. C. began officially Thursday evening, after all examinations had been held and the first quarter had thus been brought to a close. School will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, when the winter quarter will begin. A great many new students are expected to register for the winter quarter.